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President's Corner

Angela Dresselhaus

This is the time of year when many of us become swamped with projects, goals, and agenda items to be completed before the new year. NASIG committees are extremely busy preparing for the 2019 conference, officer election slate, new awards, digital preservation plans, standards, and many other endeavors. The Executive Board is working on initiatives to strengthen our financial profile and to ensure that we can host an affordable, informative, and enjoyable annual conference. One initiative involves increasing sponsorship planning. Kristen Wilson, our current vice president, is working with our sponsorship coordinator, Sarah Pearlmutter, to improve the website and to clarify the benefits of sponsorship. Together, they hope to reach more people and increase sponsorship income.

By the time you read this column you will have heard about the dues increase proposal. After careful consideration of NASIG's financial profile and our goals as an organization, the Executive Board has proposed an increase in membership dues. NASIG has a reputation for offering affordable rates to our members, and we will continue to do so in the future. When we began in 1985, our dues were set at \$15 and have since increased only twice, in 2000 and 2005. The NASIG board is proposing a \$25 increase in dues to the regular and retired member rates. The organizational (bulk membership) rate will also increase, but we will maintain the same level of discount off of the regular member rate. We hope that the impact of the increase on members will be small, while the cumulative investment will have a positive impact on NASIG.

The Board also closely examined conference registration rates and the number and level of discounted registrations. As a result, registration rates will increase slightly for the 2019 conference, and concurrent session speaker compensation will be changed to a \$100 discount. The Atlanta conference was barely in the red, and these adjustments should allow those involved in conference planning to deliver an excellent conference on a balanced budget. The rates schedule will be published following this column.

Finally, the key component to ensure continued success of NASIG is to get your colleagues, library students, and early-career professionals to the conferences! The Executive Board is hatching a “bring a colleague to NASIG” incentive program that will focus on reaching out to people who may not know that NASIG has programming for them. For example, I am actively reaching out to scholarly communications librarians and sharing examples of our programming in their area of interest. So far, I’ve been met with a common refrain: “I didn’t know NASIG did that!” Be on the lookout for details about this plan in early February.

As I wrap up this quarter, I do hope that you read this column in a positive light. NASIG is not in trouble, but we do need to take definitive actions in order to grow our conference and reposition ourselves for future endeavors, such as an online conference and fully Open Access conference proceedings.

2019 Conference Rates

Early Bird

Full Conference Registration – Members \$435
Full Conference Registration – Non-members \$550
Full Conference Registration – Paraprofessionals \$150
Full Conference Registration – Students \$100

Late

Full Conference Registration – Members \$485
Full Conference Registration – Non-members \$600
Full Conference Registration – Paraprofessionals \$250
Full Conference Registration – Students \$150

On-site

On-site Full Conference Registration – Members \$510
On-site Full Conference Registration – Non-members \$625

1-Day Registration

1-Day Conference Registration – Member & Non-member \$250
1-Day Conference Registration – Students & Paraprofessionals \$150

Preconferences

1/2-Day – Member & Non-member \$100
1-Day – Member & Non-member \$200

2019 Proposed Membership Rates

Regular Members – \$100 USD
Retired Members – \$50 USD
Student Members – Free
Lifetime Members – \$1000 USD (one time; Canadian and Mexican members should contact the NASIG Treasurer for the current exchange rate)
Organizational (Bulk Membership) Members – \$270

2019 Speaker Conference Registration Rate

Speakers will receive a \$100 discount on the conference rate of their choice.

Statement of Support for Pittsburgh

As we look forward to our annual conference in the vibrant city of Pittsburgh in June, we are heartbroken and deeply troubled by the crimes committed at the Tree of Life synagogue on October 27, 2018. Our sincere sympathies are with the victims, their families, and first responders, as well as the larger Jewish community and the city of Pittsburgh. To support the physical and emotional healing of the community, the NASIG Board will donate on behalf of the membership to the GoFundMe campaign to benefit the Tree of Life congregation (<https://www.gofundme.com/tree-of-life-synagogue-shooting>). We also encourage members to contribute individually as they see fit.

Call for Volunteers

Kristen Wilson, NASIG Vice President/President-Elect

Whether you're new to NASIG or a seasoned veteran, I'd like to ask you to consider serving on a NASIG committee in 2019/2020. NASIG is an all-volunteer organization, and we couldn't do all that we do without help from our membership. The breadth of NASIG's scope means that there's a committee out there to suit everyone, whatever your interests and skills.

If you like to be part of the action, consider volunteering for the **Conference Planning** or **Program Planning** Committees. These two groups are in the thick of conference activities, deciding on themes and logos, planning events, and identifying exciting speakers. Of course, we also need people in these groups who can keep us on schedule and juggle the details, if that's more your style. The **Awards and Recognition** Committee is another great way to get involved with the conference, while also giving you the opportunity to honor your peers for their work.

NASIG committees can also give you a chance to make a difference in the library field. Our brand new **Diversity** Committee will be working on ways to help NASIG represent a wide variety of people, offer scholarships, and provide educational opportunities to our members. **Student Outreach** and **Mentoring**—which will be merging in 2019—also allow you to give back by helping people who are new to the profession or looking to grow their skills.

And there are many other ways NASIG committees serve our members all year long. As a part of the **Standards** Committee, you'll get to have a voice in developing some of the practices that will shape the field in the coming years. Or try **Continuing Education**, the group that helps share updates about big issues, new technologies, and critical skills through webinars and documents like the NASIG Core Competencies.

Finally, don't be fooled by the unassuming nature of groups like **Bylaws**, **Communications**, **Nominations and Elections**, **Evaluation and Assessment**, and **Membership Services**. These core committees are the ones who keep NASIG up and running. They welcome and aid our membership, make sure we have a strong board, support decision making, and share NASIG's work with the wider world. If you're the type of person who likes to know your contribution is fundamental, we need you here.

In addition to helping support NASIG and the library profession as a whole, NASIG committees can also be personally rewarding. They're a great way to meet professional service requirements, but the benefits go way beyond that. If you'd like to broaden your professional network, a committee is a great way to meet people from across North America. And if you're new to the library field, NASIG can help you build a support network of peers, some of whom may turn out to be friends.

If any of this strikes your fancy, please consider volunteering on the [NASIG Volunteer Form](#). Or reach out to me directly at kristen [at] indexdata [dot] com, and I'll be happy to answer questions and help you find your committee home.

Call for Applicants for 2019 NASIG Grants, Awards and Scholarships

NASIG is pleased to announce the beginning of the application cycle for its 2019 grants, awards, and scholarships to be awarded at the [34rd Annual Conference](#) being held in Pittsburgh, PA. June 5-8, 2018.

A separate call will go out shortly for a new award, sponsored by Harrassowitz, for a first-time NASIG attendee from a diverse background.

PROFESSIONAL/PARAPROFESSIONAL AWARDS

[Birdie MacLennan Award](#)

An award for a mid-career professional, covering conference registration, three nights lodging, and travel costs within North America.

[Capstone Award](#)

A \$1500 award to recognize a professional who has made significant and distinguished contributions to the field of information resource management.

[First-Timer Award](#)

An award for an information resources management professional or paraprofessional who has not attended a NASIG conference, covering costs of registration, three nights lodging, and travel within North America.

[Horizon Award](#)

Award for a promising new information resources management professional, covering cost of conference registration, three nights lodging, and travel within North America. Recipients will also be invited to serve on a NASIG committee.

[Marcia Tuttle International Grant](#)

A \$3,000 grant for an individual working in the information supply chain to fund appropriate activities in fostering international communication and education.

[Paraprofessional Specialist Award](#)

Awards for promising paraprofessionals, covering cost of conference registration, three nights lodging, and travel within North America.

[Rose Robischon Scholarship](#)

A scholarship awarded to an information resource management professional lacking funds for travel. The scholarship covers the cost of conference registration, three nights lodging, and travel within North America.

STUDENT AWARDS

[John Riddick Student Grant](#)

Grants for qualifying students to attend the NASIG annual conference, covering cost of registration, three nights lodging, and travel within North America.

[Fritz Schwartz Education Scholarship](#)

A \$3,000 scholarship and conference travel grant for a graduate student demonstrating excellence in scholarship and the potential for accomplishments in an information resource management career.

[Mexican Student Grant](#) – January 15, 2019

This grant serves as assistance to a Mexican student of Library Science or Information Science, who wants to learn and develop professionally in the area of serial publications.

The application deadline for the awards listed above is **February 8, 2018** except the Mexican Student Grant, which is due January 15, 2019.

NASIG is an independent organization working to advance and transform the management of information resources. Our ultimate goal is to facilitate and improve the distribution, acquisition, and long-term accessibility of information resources in all formats and business models. Visit <http://www.nasig.org/> for more information.



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Upcoming Conference News

CPC Update

Pat Roncevich and Denise Novak, CPC Co-Chairs



Did you know that Pittsburgh, with 731 bridges within its city limits, has the most bridges of any city in the world? So, it only makes sense if you want to build a bridge—Pittsburgh is the place to be. NASIG members will be “Building Bridges: Connecting the Information Community” at the 34th annual conference, Wednesday, June 5–Saturday, June 9, 2019, in Pittsburgh.

The conference will be held at the [Omni William Penn Hotel](#), a historic landmark and one of the city’s premier hotels for more than a century.

We are fortunate to be able to offer a very competitive rate for the hotel. Work is continuing on the selection of the opening speaker. The opening session will be held on Wednesday, June 5, in the beautiful Grand Ballroom. All the potential speakers are dynamic and well-regarded Pittsburgh history experts. Once the speaker has been confirmed examples of their presentations will be shared.

The opening reception will be held in the Ballroom and the adjacent Urban Room. By hosting the event at the hotel, we hope that this will make the end of the day more relaxing for the many attendees traveling to Pittsburgh on Wednesday. The carnival-themed reception will feature entertainers and activities. The

Grand Ballroom, located on the 17th floor, offers great views of the city. The Urban Room, a 1920s ultra-modern art deco night club, was designed by Joseph Urban, the New York-based architect and set designer celebrated for his work with the Metropolitan Opera and the Ziegfeld Follies.

Planes, Trains, or Automobiles?

There are a variety of options to get to Pittsburgh—but you will have to cross a bridge or two. All domestic carriers and many of the newer budget carriers provide service to [Pittsburgh International Airport](#).

Transportation from the airport ranges from budget (\$2.75 on the Port Authority 28X Airport Flyer bus) to limousine service with everything in between. Once you are in the Golden Triangle (Downtown Pittsburgh), the light rail system, known as “the T,” is free to ride within Downtown and the North Shore. Amtrak provides service to Pittsburgh: the Pennsylvanian from the east and the Capitol Limited from the west. The Amtrak station is 3 blocks away from the conference hotel. Driving to Pittsburgh is relatively easy, and valet parking at the hotel is \$36 per day. The Mellon Square Garage directly across the street from the hotel is \$19 per day.

Pittsburgh is the City of Bridges. Bridges can connect different communities and can also strengthen and sustain existing relationships. NASIG is an organization that strives to connect members of the information community and to support those relationships. Plan on coming to Pittsburgh to build a bridge, or shore up an existing one, while you learn, network, and have some fun. Please check back often to the conference website to learn more about local events, opportunities, and other information. Look for early-bird registration sometime after the new year.

Pittsburg Fun Facts: 10 Unique Things To Do In Pittsburgh

Pat Roncevich, CPC Co-Chair

Point State Park - A National Historic Landmark, the 36.4-acre park commemorates Pittsburgh's involvement in the French and Indian War. The park includes paved promenades for running, biking or walking with amazing views of all three rivers and a 150-foot tall fountain.

The park contains the Fort Pitt Museum, preserving the frontier history of the city, the Fort Pitt Blockhouse built in 1764, is the oldest authentic building in Western PA.

<https://www.heinzhistorycenter.org/fort-pitt/visit/hours-admission/> (0.6-miles, museum \$8)

Andy Warhol Museum - One of the largest museums in North America dedicated to a single artist, The Warhol contains 17 galleries of painting, prints, sculpture, photos, films and time capsules. Be sure to check out the Silver Cloud room to make your own silk-screened artwork. <https://www.warhol.org/> (0.7 miles, \$20)

City of Asylum /Alphabet City - A neighborhood that has provided refuge for exiled and other persecuted writers and offers a variety of free programs. Walk along the street where houses are painted to reflecting the dreams and work of the artists and visit the bookstore. <http://cityofasylum.org/home/> (1.3 miles, free)

Randyland - Randy Gilson grew up in extreme poverty and was at times homeless. He became a self-taught artist and community activist and has turned a run-down, decrepit house into The Happiest Place in Pittsburgh. Randy shares his garden, his story, and his eternal optimism with all visitors. <https://randy.land/> (1.7 miles, free)



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Monongahela and Duquesne Inclines - Step back in time and ride one of the two remaining funiculars – an inclined railway designed to transport workers from their hilltop homes to the factories along the river. The Monongahela Incline will leave you at the eastern end of Mt. Washington, the Duquesne, the western. The distance between the two is about a mile. <https://www.monongahelaincline.com/index.html> ; <http://duquesneincline.org> (0.8 or 1.7 miles, 1-way fare, \$2.75)

Mount Washington/Grand View Avenue - Stroll along the mile-long sidewalk of Grand View Avenue. Stop at one of the observation pods to take in the stunning view of the city and the sweeping panorama of the rivers and valleys. Dining options run the gamut from coffee bars to fine dining. Stop in the Carnegie Library Mount Washington branch built in 1900 to see an authentic Carnegie Library. (0.8, or 1.7 miles, free)

Gateway Clipper Fleet - Get a view of the city from the river. Take in all three rivers on one of the cruises the company offers, ranging from 1-3 hour long cruises. <https://www.gatewayclipper.com/> (1 miles, \$ varies)

Kayak Pittsburgh –If you want to see the city as the indigenous peoples of Western Pennsylvania did, get in the water. Kayak Pittsburgh will teach, then lead you on a tour along the three rivers. Rental equipment available for seasoned paddlers.

<https://www.ventureoutdoors.org/kayak-pittsburgh>

(0.9 miles, \$ varies)

Cathedral of Learning/Nationality Rooms – Located on the campus of the University of Pittsburgh, this 42-story gothic tower is the tallest educational building in the western hemisphere. The 30 themed Nationality Rooms are actual classrooms that represent the cultures of various ethnic groups that settled in Allegheny County.

<https://www.nationalityrooms.pitt.edu/> Visit the Honors College on the 35th floor for amazing views of the city and maybe catch a glimpse of the peregrine falcons that nest there. <http://www.aviary.org/PF-NestCam1> . (2.7 miles, Nationality Room tour \$4)

Kennywood Park - One of America's finest traditional amusement parks. The park is located near the site of the 1755 Battle of the Monongahela where George Washington fought alongside General Braddock. In 1898 the land became a trolley park at the end of a railway. Today the park features a mix of traditional rides (including three wooden roller coasters) and more modern rides. The park is easily walkable; the Potato Patch Fries are a must. <https://www.kennywood.com> (10 miles, \$ varies)

PPC Update

Maria Collins, PPC Chair

The NASIG program is really beginning to take shape. The Call for Proposals is complete, and the Program Planning Committee is beginning their review. PPC chairs will send out acceptance notifications for proposals by the end of January. The next area of the program that the PPC is working on completing will be the pre-conference offerings.

An exciting slate of vision speakers for the 2019 NASIG Conference has been selected including DeEtta Jones,

Philip Schreur, and Amanda Levendowski. Please see their brief bios below. Additional information about the vision speakers will be included in a later issue of the NASIG Newsletter.



Photo Courtesy of DeEtta Jones

For over 20 years, DeEtta Jones has guided people and organizations through the process of fundamental transformation. She has been a leading voice in shaping contemporary thinking and practice around integrated and sustainable approaches to personal transformation, workplace culture, diversity and inclusion.

Before launching DeEtta Jones and Associates in 2005, she served for 10 years as Director of Diversity and then Director of the Office of Leadership and Management Services at the Association of Research Libraries, an international not-for-profit representing the largest research institutions in North America. In these roles, DeEtta was called upon as a thought-leader to set direction for the design and oversight of more than 9 international leadership programs, as well as a suite of professional development services including training and organization development. Prior to this, she was Director of Multicultural Education at Colorado State

University and Director of Human Rights Advocacy and Education for the City of Fort Collins.

DeEtta has served as an adjunct faculty member, teaching undergraduate and graduate courses on leadership and diversity, at Colorado State University and the University of Maryland, College Park. DeEtta has a bachelor's degree in psychology, a master's degree in student affairs in higher education from Colorado State University, and an MBA from Johns Hopkins University. She lives outside of Chicago, with her husband and their children.



Photo Courtesy of Philip Schreur

Philip Schreur is currently the Associate University Librarian for Technical and Access Services at Stanford University. He earned a PhD from Stanford in medieval music theory and an MLIS from the University of California, Berkeley. Philip has been the chair of the Program for Cooperative Cataloging and deeply involved in the implementation of the new cataloging rules, *Resource, Description and Access* (RDA) in the United States. With a mid-career move to HighWire

Press, he developed an interest in the automated taxonomic analysis of digital texts. Currently, he is in charge of coordinating linked-data project development for the Stanford University Libraries. Initial areas of interest include the use of linked data as a mechanism for identity management across traditional resources and those within the digital library, the integration of linked data from disparate sources, and the transition of traditional technical services workflows to processes rooted in linked open data.



Photo Courtesy of Amanda Levendowski

Amanda Levendowski will be joining Georgetown Law as an Associate Professor of Law and the founding director of the Intellectual Property and Information Policy Clinic. Her clinical projects and scholarship focus on novel approaches to cutting-edge legal problems at the intersection of intellectual property, information policy, and technology. Her recent work has examined ways to use trademarks for transparency about corporate surveillance technologies, approaches to advising clients with active contributing communities ("crowd-civic clients"), and the outsized role that copyright law plays in (un)biasing artificial intelligence. She also contributes to Wikipedia. Previously, Amanda co-taught the Technology Law and Policy Clinic at NYU Law. She tweets as @levendowski.

Profile of LaQuanda Onyemeh, John Riddick Student Grant Award Winner

Christian Burris, Profiles Editor



Photo Courtesy of LaQuanda Onyemeh

LaQuanda Onyemeh graduated from the library and information studies program at the University of North Carolina at Greensboro in May 2018 and is currently serving as the diversity resident librarian at Texas A&M University. She attended her first NASIG conference this year in Atlanta as the recipient of a John Riddick Student Grant. I completed my interview with Ms. Onyemeh on July 24, 2018.

What led you to become a librarian?

I took a circuitous route to librarianship. I started off at Charlotte School of Law (CSL) in 2014. In 2015 I received a library job at the law library. I really was not digging the legal field. I was at the point where I was showing up to class wondering why am I here. Working in the library made me feel rejuvenated. I'm happy to help students find resources for their legal needs. The dean of the library sat me down and told me about the many opportunities for librarianship. She introduced me to ALA and AALL. I conducted informal interviews with all of the librarians at CSL. I asked in-depth questions about their careers as librarians and their LIS educations. The next semester I took a leap of faith and applied to UNC Greensboro's library and information

studies program...and I got in! It was the best decision I ever made. I loved the topics I was learning about; I felt so fulfilled. Everything just felt natural and it really felt like I was supposed to be a librarian. Oh, you're probably wondering what happened to my law school career. Well, it ended up closing while I was on "leave of absence" completing my LIS program. So, librarianship really was meant to be.

How were you introduced to continuing resources?

I applied for a summer fellowship at Atkins Library, UNC Charlotte. There were multiple disciplines to choose from during their 11-week summer program. I chose the electronic resources management track because of my interests in contracts and licensing. I also wanted to learn how the library resources worked behind the scenes. I also knew e-resource librarians from the CSL library, and I was curious about the work they did on the mysterious fourth floor, ha ha.

What is involved in your current position as diversity resident librarian?

I began my new role at Texas A&M about a month ago. The diversity resident librarian position is for 3 years. In this role, I will be completing rotations in various departments in the library. I will have the opportunity to be cross-trained in every department. I will be rotating in the following departments: instruction, information resources, special collections, scholarly communications, digital initiatives, and library administration. I am happy about this position because I get to learn about different specializations in the library.

How did you learn about NASIG?

During my summer fellowship at UNC Charlotte in electronic resource management, I was introduced to NASIG's Core Competencies for Electronic Resources Librarians. My supervisors Shoko Tokoro and Liz Siler

suggested that this was a great organization to be a part of.

Your first NASIG conference was in Atlanta in 2018. How was your experience as a “first timer?”

Yes, it was amazing. I received an opportunity to attend this year’s conference because I was one of the recipients of the John Riddick Student Grant award. I am extremely grateful for being chosen. I had an amazing experience; I did not feel overwhelmed. Everyone was inviting and welcoming. I felt like everyone was genuinely interested in getting to know me and my interests. I had an opportunity to participate in the student spotlight session, where I delivered my presentation about implementing the Coral ERM system at UNC Charlotte. I really enjoyed attending sessions; they were informative and enlightening as a new librarian. I also took advantage of going to the dine-arounds. This was a great way for me to meet different people and engage in casual conversation over tasty food.

Would you come back again for future conferences?

Yes, I will. I am already planning the next one!

Do you have any additional comments?

I think that NASIG needs to find a better way to market to students. Possibly host an information session during LIS courses. I would have missed out on this great organization if it wasn't for my supervisors telling me about NASIG.

Profile of Peter Whiting, NASIG Archivist

Christian Burris, Profiles Editor



Photo Courtesy of Peter Whiting

Have archives been a part of your background, whether personally or professionally?

I did take an archival class when I was getting my master’s in library science so I’ve always had an interest in archives. In my first professional library job as Cataloging Librarian at Prairie View A&M University in Prairie View, Texas, I did catalog old books for the archives. I was always amazed to see old books that were in good condition when I cataloged them. Preservation is important for archival cataloging.

How long have you served as NASIG’s archivist?

This is my second time as the NASIG archivist. My first stint as archivist was from 2010 to 2013. I am currently serving the three term as the NASIG Archivist.

Previously the archivist reported to the NASIG secretary and starting with my second stint the archivist is a member of the Communications Committee to keep in the loop on NASIG communication.

At this point in NASIG's existence, do you collect more physical items or digital items?

Way back when in my first stint as archivist the NASIG Board and I wisely realized and recommended that digital is the way to go. It makes my job as archivist so much easier. Now certainly paper has not gone away. I'm grateful for the donations of print that I have received from retiring NASIG members with a treasure trove of information about NASIG.

Have you had any challenges as NASIG's archivist?

The biggest challenge for the NASIG archivist is preserving photographs in the digital age. The focus has been on the award winners' photographs and perhaps putting them in the NASIG newsletter or NASIG blog. That is a good solution to preserve photos for future NASIG members.

Where do you see NASIG's archives in the next five years?

I see the continuation of digital archives including a digital conference folder. The biggest challenge is software or apps that are super awesome but have very little regard for digital preservation. At some point, I hope that the NASIG archives are more digitally accessible at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign where the NASIG archives are currently housed. That would be great to access the archives online instead of having to trek to the University of Illinois Archives in Urbana-Champaign.

What are some of the more unique items in NASIG's archives?

Photos of NASIG bags that used to be handed out at NASIG conferences. NASIG used to sell pencils and stationary at the conferences so we have photos of those in the archives. In the signed license agreement with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign we can't preserve three-dimensional works so digital

photographs work to preserve the good memories of NASIG.

Do you have any additional comments?

If any NASIG member is unsure if what they have, digital or print, should go into the NASIG archives they should contact NASIG at info@nasig.org for help. The NASIG archivist will receive the email and be in touch.

Checking In

Kurt Blythe, Column Editor

[Note: Please report promotions, awards, new degrees, new positions, and other significant professional milestones. You may submit items about yourself or other members to Kurt Blythe at kblythe@email.unc.edu. Contributions on behalf of fellow members will be cleared with the person mentioned in the news item before they are printed. Please include your e-mail address or phone number.]

In their own voices, our newest members tell the stories of how they came to join our wondrous organization:

My path here has been long and varied – graduated North Carolina State University, paralegal certificate from Meredith College, worked as a litigation paralegal, shifted from the legal field to social services, had a 27-year career (as a case manager, developing case management computer systems as a subject-matter expert and later a business analyst, training case managers, and supervising case managers), picked up a web developer certificate from Wake Technical Community College along the way, and retired early in April. I am ready to begin a whole new journey and use some of the skills I've acquired along the way! I'm currently a student in the Academic Library concentration at East Carolina University's MLS program and interning with Continuing Resource Acquisitions in Technical Services at Duke University.

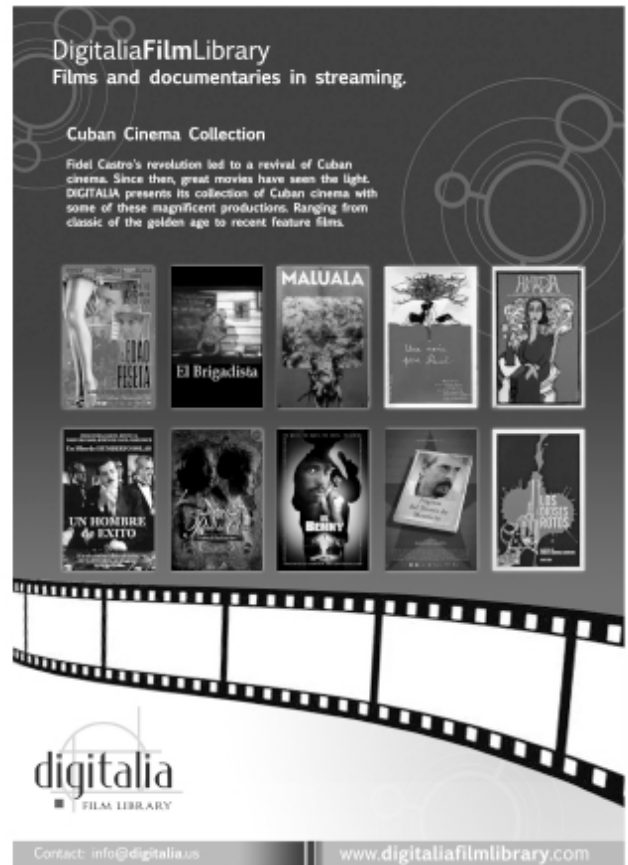
Abigail Ballard

I have been lucky enough to take on four different technical services roles during my almost five years at the Columbia University Law Library. My newest position is the Head of Continuing Resources and Collection Maintenance. Although I have previously worked as a serials assistant, I am new to higher level serial issues, and welcome any additional resources on the topic.

My colleagues have strongly recommended NASIG. I am excited for the chance to connect with a new group of people and learn as much as I can!

Nariné Bournoutian

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I lead Gale's higher education publishing programs and platforms. My goal is to improve how Gale partners with academic libraries around the world to provide authoritative content through technology that transforms research and teaching. By joining NASIG I hope to stay connected to the needs and problems facing scholars, students, faculty and librarians so our team here can enhance and develop resources that help make our partners and users more successful. I've worked with libraries in the information publishing industry for nearly twenty years and joined Gale ten years ago to oversee our periodical databases. Today, I'm excited to see how technology is transforming scholarship and creating new opportunities for libraries.

Phil Faust

Vice President and Publisher, Academic Product

Citations

Kurt Blythe, Column Editor

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As winter approaches, some fireside reading and a session that sounds fascinating:

Christopher Girgenti recently published a paper, “The Role of Information Organizations in Commodifying the King of the Fairies,” *Librarianship Studies & Information Technology* (blog), September 18, 2018, <https://www.librarianshipstudies.com/2018/09/the-role-of-information-organizations.html>

Trina Holloway has written a program review: “Don’t Just Hire the Best – Keep Them,” AALL Annual Conference: Academic Law Libraries Special Interest Section Newsletter (V. 38, No. 1), Fall 2018. <https://www.aallnet.org/allsis/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2018/10/allsis-v38-i1.pdf>

Dejah Rubel led a hands-on session at LITA Forum, on November 10, 2018 in Minneapolis: “KML for Dummies: Using Excel, Earth Point, and Notepad++ to Create Google Earth Visualizations of Geographic Data Encoded in Catalog Records”. <https://forum.lita.org/sessions/kml-for-dummies-using-excel-earth-point-and-notepad-to-create-google-earth-visualizations-of-geographic-data-encoded-in-catalog-records-part-1/>

Title Changes

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We have some pretty serious title changes here. Behold!

Jill Bright is now the Electronic Resources Librarian at St. Louis College of Pharmacy

Carol Ann Davis is the new Assistant Dean for the University of South Florida Libraries.

Christopher Girgenti has been promoted to full-time beginning in September at Dacus Library, Winthrop University, where he is in charge of print and electronic journals.

Trina Holloway has received a promotion and new job title in the form of Head of Collection Services at Georgia State University Law Library.

Jessica LaBrie started a new position in July as Electronic Resources Librarian at Wellesley College.

And, last but not least, from my colleague **Christie Degener**:

Dear NASIG Community,

I am writing to confirm my plans to retire from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill’s University Libraries effective January 1, 2019. I have worked at the UNC-CH Health Sciences Library over 34 years, an incredible privilege. Working at HSL has given me the chance to grow professionally, contribute to HSL and the greater library community through varying and progressive levels of responsibility, and meet significant challenges and opportunities head on. Most importantly, I’ve always worked with great teams and felt my efforts were both supported and valued.

I have equally strong appreciation for my participation in NASIG over the years. Very early in my career, I heard about an initial organizational meeting for NASIG while attending the 1985 ALA conference. While I was not able to attend that meeting, I was kept informed of the planning and attended the very first NASIG conference

held at Bryn Mawr College in 1986. The inaugural conference confirmed NASIG as the best organization for staying current with scholarly communication trends and connecting with individuals working across the industry, but I especially enjoyed NASIG being such a welcoming community, and I was hooked.

And the rest, as they say, is history! (Is it coincidence that Susan Davis immediately precedes me in the first conference's attendee list?) NASIG remained my main professional outlet because the organization offers wonderful flexibility in providing value through contributions – in my case through presenting, introducing, recording, serving on multiple committees (some multiple times), and being slated on election ballots twice. I see this flexibility as one of NASIG's greatest strengths. And each year I have come to the

annual conference eagerly anticipating reuniting with my NASIG “family,” whether long-time friends or first-time attendees, and knowing I will leave energized by all the immersive discussions and new ideas. I will miss these get-togethers, and especially the long-time friends I’ve made over the years, but will continue to follow NASIG’s future with great interest as the organization continues doing great work.

Sincerely,

Christie Degener

Assistant Director for Information Access and Discovery
Health Sciences Library, UNC-CH

Please join me in wishing each of these – our treasured colleagues – a very heartfelt congratulations!

Executive Board Minutes

NASIG Board Conference Call July 10, 2018

Executive Board:

Angela Dresselhaus, President
Kristen Wilson, Vice President/President-Elect
Beth Ashmore, Secretary
Jessica Ireland, Treasurer

Members at Large:

Karen Davidson
Maria Hatfield
Lisa Martincik
Marsha Seamans
Steve Shadle

Eugenia Beh, Ex Officio
Lori Duggan, Ex Officio

Regrets:

Steve Oberg, Past-President
Ted Westervelt, Member-at-Large

Welcome (Dresselhaus)

The meeting was called to order at 2:01 PM Central.

President's Workload Distribution (Dresselhaus)

This is a continuation of a discussion started on the board listserv regarding re-distributing workload shared by the President, Vice President and Past President. While the Vice President requires time to get familiar with Board duties and liaison responsibilities, it would also be advantageous to assign them tasks throughout their Vice President term that will support the President and help them prepare for the role of President. Currently, most Vice-Presidential work comes at the end of their Vice President term in the form of committee assignments and preparing for the conference. The Past-President was previously responsible for conference sponsorships however now there is a member of CPC tasked with that role. It may still be advantageous to have the Past-President work closely with CPC on conference sponsorships. Conversations regarding strategy for the organization tend to happen informally between the Vice President

and President so it may be possible to formalize that process as well. Doubling the commitment for Presidents from three years to six years so a member can have more time in each role seems like it would be asking too much of potential candidates, especially since many presidents require a break from NASIG commitments after their three-year term ends. At this point, a review and revision of the manual and task calendars for the presidential roles seems like the best way to ensure that workload is appropriately distributed.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will distribute manuals and task calendars for all board positions to the board for review and revision.

Member-at-Large Term Length (Dresselhaus)

This is a continuation of a discussion started on the board listserv regarding changing the Member-at-Large term from two years to three years. The concern is that Members-at-Large tend to rotate off the board just as they are getting confident with their board and committee liaison work. By moving to three-year terms, this would allow Members-at-Large to have time to get up to speed on their committees work and see projects through to their conclusion.

ACTION ITEM: Ask the Bylaws Committee to review what changes would be necessary to the NASIG Bylaws to make Member-at-Large terms three years instead of two years and change the election cycle from one-half of the Members-at-Large being elected each year to one-third of the Members-at-Large being elected each year.

ACTION ITEM: The Board will plan for how to transition from the one-half to one-third Member-at-Large election cycle.

Treasurer's Report (Ireland)

Action AV has received payment and Jessica Ireland has also sent to checks to people that we were unable to pay at the conference.

Secretary's Report (Ashmore)

- Vote on minutes from 6/11

VOTE: Lisa Martincik moved to approve the minutes from the 6/11 Board Meeting. Maria Hatfield seconded. The motion passed with eight votes in favor and one abstention.

- Diversity Committee Motion and Vote: Results of Diversity Committee motion and vote on Doodle were 11 votes in favor. Angela Dresselhaus and Kristen Wilson will work on committee appointments, including working with Eugenia Beh to market a call for volunteers. There has already been a lot interest expressed in working on this committee.

Committee Updates (All)

- Marketing and Social Media: Eugenia Beh has received the flash drive of NASIG on demand videos from Action AV and is uploading the videos to YouTube where they will be private until before next year's conference when they will be made available to everyone as well as used to help market the upcoming conference. Eugenia Beh will work with Communications and the Registrar to ensure that all those that signed up for NASIG on demand receive the private YouTube links. One video was not on the flash drive but Action AV is going to share it with Eugenia Beh via Dropbox. Also, encourage everyone to complete the conference evaluation.

ACTION ITEM: Communication will ensure that NASIG on demand YouTube videos are made publicly available prior to next year's conference for marketing purposes.

All committees and liaisons are checking on their committee listserv to make sure all members are able to receive messages.

- **Communications:** Steve Oberg provided an update via the Board listserv stating that all committee updates have been completed except for Digital Preservation Task Force and Nominations & Elections.
- **Evaluation and Assessment:** The conference survey went live at the start of the conference and was publicized through NASIG communication and social media channels including being linked from the homepage. The survey will close Sunday, July 15. There have been 139 responses so far which is about the same as last year. Once the survey closes, the committee will prepare a report.
- **Newsletter:** The September newsletter is underway. Deadlines for various reports from Board members will be due at the beginning of August. The conference session reports deadline was extended to this Friday so those reports should be coming in soon for the September issue.
- **Proceedings:** Manuscripts will be coming in soon. Physical and online copies of last year's proceedings are available from Taylor & Francis, but they do not appear to be linked through the NASIG website yet.

ACTION ITEM: Kristen Wilson will work with Paul Moeller and Communications to ensure that links to last year's proceedings are added to the NASIG website.

- **Program Planning:** Angela Dresselhaus, Kristen Wilson, and Maria Collins are meeting on Friday to discuss program planning.
- **Site Selection:** Kristen Wilson has put the RFP changes into a different format and Angela Dresselhaus will be checking in with Conference Coordinator, Anna Creech to get the RFP out in the next few weeks in the hopes that site visits can occur before January 2019.
- **Student Outreach:** Marsha Seamans will be reaching out to the chair of this committee and the Mentoring Group to work on the potential merger of the two committees.
- **Web-Based Infrastructure Implementation Task Force:** Marsha Seamans will be reaching out to the

chair of this committee and the Mentoring Group to work on the potential merger of the two committees.

ACTION ITEM: Angela Dresselhaus, Lisa Martincik, and Steve Oberg will investigate the possibility of using an LIS intern to work on the migration to Wild Apricot.

Other Business

Organizational membership – Sponsorship forms will need to be prepared soon so the Board will need to discuss how it would like to handle organizational memberships vs. sponsorships moving forward because there are not currently many benefits to being an organizational member vs. being a conference sponsor.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will add organizational memberships to the agenda for the August Board conference call.

Adjourn (Dresselhaus)

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 PM Central

Minutes submitted by:

Beth Ashmore

Secretary, NASIG Executive Board

NASIG Board Conference Call August 14, 2018

Executive Board:

Angela Dresselhaus, President

Kristen Wilson, Vice President/President-Elect

Beth Ashmore, Secretary

Steve Oberg, Past President

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Lisa Martincik

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Steve Shadle

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Lori Duggan, Ex Officio

Regrets:

Jessica Ireland, Treasurer

Ted Westervelt, Member-at-Large

Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 pm Central.

Organizational Memberships

Discussion centered on the function of the organizational membership. Is the organizational membership about recruiting vendors to participate in the organization or more about bulk memberships for vendors or libraries that have multiple employees with an interest in NASIG? Maria Hatfield noted that all the work she has done as NASIG member was facilitated by the organizational membership benefits to her employer. With most of the benefits for vendors coming from sponsorship rather than organizational membership, it may be more difficult for vendor representatives to convince their employers to be members. We may want to move vendors more toward sponsorship opportunities as this is a kind of organizational participation that they are familiar with from other conferences. We need to monitor the number of organizational memberships and sponsorships in the coming year as well as include in all sponsorship information the availability of organizational memberships, including getting that information back on the sponsorship form.

ACTION ITEM: Conference Planning will add information about organizational memberships and special event sponsorship opportunities (e.g. WiFi sponsorship, reception sponsorship) to the sponsorship form.

Diversity Committee Update

Kristen Wilson reported a good response to the call for members for the new Diversity Committee. There are

11 members plus the chair and they bring diversity in both their personal backgrounds but also in their experience with working on diversity initiatives. Kristen Wilson asked for volunteers to be the board liaison to the committee and Eugenia Beh volunteered to act as liaison. Angela Dresselhaus, Kristen Wilson, and Steve Oberg will discuss getting all the infrastructure for the committee set up in the coming weeks. Kristen Wilson also shared the roster of members to be appointed to for the new Diversity Committee.

Committee Updates (All)

- **Bylaws:** Maria Hatfield reported that the bylaws committee determined that the Member-at-Large term length is not specified in the bylaws. If we would like to add the proposed three year term length it would go in Article 5 Section 4 where executive officers term lengths are specified. Also, the committee is currently without a vice chair so Maria Hatfield will recruit someone from the committee for that role.

ACTION ITEM: Angela Dresselhaus will look at the bylaws and discuss with Steve Oberg and Kristin Wilson whether or not we want to ask Bylaws to propose a change to include term length for Members-at-Large.

- **Conference Planning:** Steve Shadle asked for clarification on what kind of podium sign the board is looking for and whether or not to include those costs in CPC budget. Angela Dresselhaus suggested something made of foam core that we could use for a couple of conferences. The committee is also currently working on a logo for NASIG 2019.
- **Site Selection:** Angela Dresselhaus reported that the RFPs have gone out and we expect to start receiving proposals in the coming weeks.
- **Continuing Education:** Lisa Martincik reported that committee chair Lori Terrill sent out a list of goals for the year including reviewing core competencies and keeping the NASIG Wikipedia entry up to date.

The committee is currently setting up projects for the year.

- **Evaluation & Assessment:** Karen Davidson reported that the conference survey was closed and the call for individual presenter evaluations was sent out. There were 35 requests from presenters for evaluation information. All 35 presenters have now received their feedback. The newsletter report was submitted to the newsletter editor and the full conference report will be submitted by the end of the month.
- **Mentoring Group & Student Outreach:** Marsha Seamans reported that she is scheduling an online meeting with the two chairs of mentoring and student outreach to discuss combining the committees and work on goals for the upcoming year.
- **Newsletter:** Lori Duggan reported that the September issue articles are coming in and reminders for outstanding articles will go out tomorrow. The annual report from PPC has been received, but we are still waiting on annual reports from CPC and the Mentoring Group. We are on track for early September release of the issue.
- **Nominations & Elections:** Steve Shadle reported that the discussion list has been set up and the committee chair is reviewing the working calendar to prepare for the upcoming cycle.
- **Proceedings:** Kristen Wilson reported that the proceedings editors are reviewing the submissions they have received so far. The issue with the 2017 proceedings not being linked for members through the NASIG website has been resolved.
- **Program Planning:** Kristen Wilson returned the ranked list of potential vision speakers to Maria Collins of PPC and the committee is currently sending speaker invitations.

- **Standards:** Maria Hatfield reported that Fiona McNabb will be Vice Chair of Standards. The committee is meeting to consider slight revisions to their charge now that they have had some time to work together. The board will be hearing from the committee with revisions shortly.
- **Web-Based Infrastructure Implementation Task Force:** Lisa Martincik told Paoshan Yue to move ahead with Wild Apricot with an eye towards a soft rollout of the new website by conference time.
- **Marketing and Social Media:** Eugenia Beh offered to provide statistics on NASIG on demand views for discussion at the fall board meeting. She also stated that our social media has been pretty quiet since our last messages about NASIG on demand availability. Eugenia also asked about an action item regarding sending a message after the website has been updated, but she is not sure what website update this is referring to. Beth Ashmore will look into this action item to clarify what website update we are promoting.

Other Business

Maria Hatfield pointed out that the organizational membership webpage

(http://www.nasig.org/site_page.cfm?pk_association_webpage_menu=309&pk_association_webpage=1169)

needs to be updated to reflect current organizational members and how they would like to be listed on the website.

ACTION ITEM: The Communication Committee, with information from Membership Services, will update the organizational memberships webpage to reflect current organizational members and how they would like to be listed on the website.

Adjourn (Dresselhaus)

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm Central.

Minutes submitted by:
Beth Ashmore
Secretary, NASIG Executive Board

NASIG Board Meeting
September 12, 2018
Omni William Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh,
Pennsylvania

Executive Board:

Angela Dresselhaus, President
Kristen Wilson, Vice President/President-Elect
Beth Ashmore, Secretary
Jessica Ireland, Treasurer
Steve Oberg, Past President

Members at Large:

Karen Davidson (via Zoom)
Maria Hatfield (via Zoom)
Lisa Martincik
Marsha Seamans
Steve Shadle
Ted Westervelt

Eugenia Beh, Ex Officio
Lori Duggan, Ex Officio

Guests:

Maria Collins, PPC Chair (via Zoom)
Anna Creech (Conference Coordinator)
Wendy Robertson, PPC Vice-Chair (via Zoom)
Pat Ronceovich (CPC Co-Chair)

Welcome (Dresselhaus)

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am.

Code of conduct violation procedures (Dresselhaus)

The code of conduct was included in all conference packets, but it would be useful to ensure that it is clear to attendees that they can report incidents to CPC or board members in-person, through email, and through text. It is also important that those reports get

communicated to all board members via email and text because email alone is sometimes hard to keep up with during the conference. The Board and CPC need to review documentation about handling medical, ADA, and weather emergencies as well. Using a group text for any situation may be the best way to get information to everyone quickly at the event.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will set up a board group text for issues that occur during the conference.

ACTION ITEM: WBIITF and/or communications committee will make the code of conduct easier to find on the new website.

ACTION ITEM: The communications committee will update the code of conduct to include harassment in person and online and add “*Serious and/or persistent* violations may result...” to the code of conduct.

ACTION ITEM: The communications committee will change the code of conduct phone number to Angela Dresselhaus’ cell number until an alternative report phone number is created.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will investigate getting Google voice number attached to the Google Board email address and communicate to the communications committee when it is ready to be updated on the website.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will pull together examples of other conferences processes for taking incident reports, so the Board can create a NASIG document for CPC and Board members about how to take an incident report and what to do after a report is taken.

Treasurer’s report (Ireland)

A financial report has been submitted for the September issue of the newsletter. After a dip in February and March, investments are nearly back to January level. Jessica Ireland moved \$10,000 from savings to checking and will have to move more from

investments to checking shortly. Jessica Ireland will be working with our banker to see how long it will take to move money from investments once we know what costs we will have to cover upfront in the CPC budget. The Atlanta hotel bill and ActionAV bills were paid. All board members have their NASIG credit cards.

IFLA and NASIG (Westervelt)

Ted Westervelt proposed that NASIG become an IFLA member. IFLA's standing committee on scholarly communication represents a potential partner for NASIG and being an IFLA member may provide a higher profile for NASIG to international members and conference attendees, particularly in Canada and Mexico. In addition to connections to the scholarly communication standing committee there may also be shared efforts with our digital preservation task force and standards committee. Each IFLA section has a standing committee of up to 20 people and if there are more nominations than spots, there is an election, but if the nominations are equal or less than the number of spots than nominees are automatically committee members. The ability for NASIG to nominate individuals to IFLA committees might also be an enticement for individuals to become NASIG members to get involved in IFLA as well. NASIG could become a member of IFLA \$687.00/year.

VOTE: Steve Oberg moved to that NASIG become an IFLA member. Lisa Martincik seconded. 10 votes yes and 1 abstention. Motion passed.

ACTION ITEM: Ted Westervelt will send information to Jessica Ireland to begin the membership application process and information to the Board to select committees to which NASIG would like to nominate members.

HARRASSOWITZ minority travel scholarship (Westervelt)

Ted Westervelt talked with Jen Leffler, Awards & Recognition Committee Chair, Del Williams, Diversity Committee Chair, and Justin Clarke, HARRASSOWITZ

Director of Sales about the HARRASSOWITZ minority scholarship. One question they all want to know is if this will be a single scholarship or if there will be multiple scholarships, one of which will be sponsored by HARRASSOWITZ. The board discussed letting HARRASSOWITZ brand this scholarship as their own but including a diversity consideration to other scholarships like the student and first-timers awards. Existing travel awards are \$600 per person and there are two tiers of award sponsorship \$2,500 and \$3,500. We want to make sure winners get enough to pay for most of their conference costs. Awards & Recognition is in the process of updating their applications, so it would make sense to include a diversity question as part of the new applications. The Board had questions about how we are defining diversity. The Code4Lib scholarship program includes a diversity consideration that we may be able to model ours after with changes that reflect the NASIG community.

ACTION ITEM: Diversity and Awards & Recognition should move ahead on the HARRASSOWITZ diversity travel scholarship as well as add diversity parameters to other award applications and processes.

Committee goals & updates (All)

- Awards & Recognition: Committee is working on award descriptions and google forms to make it easier to manage and submit applications. They are also working with the diversity committee on the HARRASSOWITZ diversity travel award. Applications for the Merriman award close November 5th and the rest of awards applications close on December 3rd. The committee is also reviewing the timelines of other awards to see if adjustments to the timelines are necessary to make travel arrangements easier for winners. The committee is also identifying an artisan in Pittsburgh to create the gift for outgoing chairs and board members. The committee has also reached out to Melanie Schlosser with the Library Publishing Coalition (LPC) to see if we could start a cross pollinator scholarship with LPC allowing members to attend both NASIG and the LPC Forum.

- **Digital Preservation Task Force:** The committee's survey is going live at the end of the month. Heather Staines, Shannon Keller, and Bob Boissy will be presenting at Charleston in November to discuss the task force's work. They also presented at the LPC Forum last year and put in a proposal for UKSG that was not accepted. There should be a slot for them to present survey results and task force progress at NASIG 2019.
- **Nominations & Elections:** The committee has already provided the board with the election calendar for this year. They are also working with the diversity committee to diversify the slate, including looking at candidates from a variety of memberships types. The committee is also revising their manual and looking for ways to better manage candidate documents.
- **Communications:** Steve Oberg received the SERIALST subscriber and post numbers and passed them along to Galadriel Chilton at The Ivy Plus Libraries partnership. She is going to share this information with her task force. The committee was looking to update their wiki manual, but with the new website on the horizon, Steve Oberg suggested they wait. The committee's goals for the near future include assisting the CPC with adding the 2019 conference logo and Pittsburgh photos to the website. Committee co-chairs are also working on spreading the committee's task more evenly across committee members with less work that is done exclusively by co-chairs.
- **Membership Services:** The committee is working on the processes to include three individual memberships with the organizational membership. They are also gathering membership statistics and documenting this process for the future committees to follow. When the website moves to a new system, they will also need to create new workflows and instructions to reflect the system.
- **Mentoring & Student Outreach:** Both groups have conference events that they are planning. Student outreach is doing a conversations starter each month. The major work for both groups is combining and drafting documentation to go with the new joined committee which they hope to have done by January.
- **Diversity:** The committee is just getting up and running and ensuring which address is for committee communications (diversity@internal.nasig.org) and which address is for external communication directed to the committee (diversity@nasig.org). The committee is also working with A&R on the HARRASSOWITZ diversity travel award.
- **Continuing Education:** The committee is reviewing the core competencies for electronic resource librarians and print serials management as well as updating the NASIG Wikipedia entry. They are also looking into closed captioning the NASIG webinars on YouTube. The committee is using the conference evaluations to determine potential webinar topics.
- **Web-Based Infrastructure Implementation Task Force:** Lisa Martincik is checking with Paoshan Yue to see if the task force needs more input from the board to continue with the website transition.
- **Proceedings:** Editors would like to avoid the confusion between proceedings recorders (full papers) and newsletter reporters (small write-ups) that has occurred in previous years. They suggest potentially sending targeted messages with instructions to volunteers rather than more general messages to the entire membership. Potentially there is room for collaboration with Newsletter editors to make this clearer to volunteers. This problem might also resolve itself because there are fewer proceedings recorders, except for vision speakers and pre-conferences. Regular session speakers must opt-out of writing the proceedings paper and are encouraged to write their own paper.

- **Marketing & Social Media:** The board is looking at identifying key people on committees to act as liaisons to Eugenia Beh and provide her with content for marketing and social media from their committees. Eugenia Beh also needs a coordinator-in-training so that she both has a back-up and a successor.
- **Newsletter:** The September issue is nearly finished with one article still in layout and one in copyediting. Once the full issue is complete, it will be promoted to the membership. The committee will also work with proceedings to make sure the messaging to proceedings recorders and newsletter reporters is clear.
- **Bylaws:** The committee is reviewing their manual and making recommendations for changes. They will also be updating the Recent NASIG Bylaws Changes website to include the changes that went into effect at the 2018 NASIG conference.
- **Standards:** As a voting member of NISO, the committee looks to clarify the workflow within the committee relating to Standards initiatives, particularly NISO ballots and proposals. The committee has contacted NISO about whether an abstention is regarded as a no vote or a non-vote. This clarification is necessary because some NISO standards that come up for a vote are so technical that the members are not comfortable voting without the necessary knowledge. If abstentions are considered no votes, the committee will try to keep from abstaining. NISO voting should be very practical about what we can contribute to the group and hopefully the abstention policy from NISO will reflect that and we will be able to just vote on those standards with which we have expertise. The committee is also looking to contribute to the NASIG membership's knowledge about the COUNTER Standard in an important year for that standard and develop at least one Committee pattern/activity that helps us draw out specific areas of interest or tidbits within Standards to share

with the NASIG community with the goal of raising the general level of Standards interest or knowledge within NASIG. The committee is developing specific plans for implementing their goal of raising the general level of Standards interest or knowledge within NASIG. The plan will increase the committee's role and visibility and will include re-evaluation phases. The committee is also seeking out people and information that further our goals of connecting the NASIG community and Standards to help us create a more informed committee work environment. The committee has also selected a new COUNTER rep and is unsure about whether the new rep needs to create new credentials or if the NASIG account has credentials that are passed down. Jessica Ireland is going to get in touch with Michael Hanson to get the NASIG COUNTER credentials for the new COUNTER representative. The committee has also sent the board their recommended changes to the charge. Steve Oberg, Lisa Martincik and Kristen Wilson provided slight revisions. Maria Hatfield will incorporate those changes to the charge and send the revision out for a vote.

- **Evaluation & Assessment:** The committee is reviewing the speaker evaluation rating systems and getting some feedback from speakers on how it could be better. The committee is also working on how to get more attendees to complete the survey. 149 surveys were submitted from 317 attendees this year.
- **Site Selection:** 26 RFPs were sent out and a number of bids have been received. The committee will have more information for the board at the next conference call.

Conference rates & strategies to improve conference attendance and revenue (Dresselhaus & Wilson)

The board discussed possible programs to increase conference attendance. One option is a "Bring a Friend" to NASIG program to incentivize members to bring

someone to the conference that is not aware that NASIG is for them. As an incentive, the NASIG member and the friend they bring could be entered in a drawing for a big Amazon gift card, purchased with NASIG's Amazon points or we could get a number of smaller Amazon gift cards and the first 25 or so member/friend pairs each get a gift card. The friend would need to be someone who has never attended NASIG or has been away for several years.

ACTION ITEM: Membership Services will draft a Bring a Friend to NASIG program.

Another option is to target conference marketing towards health science and other special librarians who do not get enough electronic resource and scholarly communication programming within their special library association conferences like the Medical Library Association Annual Meeting. Students and paraprofessionals are two groups NASIG has targeted and should try to continue to target as well. In addition to the awards and special conference rates for both groups, we could also invite students in person through practical presentations at iSchools and personalized invitations to students and paraprofessionals identified by NASIG members. This could include advertising on NMRT-L and revising the membership brochures for specific groups (e.g. students, vendors, paraprofessionals) to include the top three reasons why members of their community would be interested in NASIG. In brochures and other communications, we can also stress the non-profit status of NASIG and how the membership and conference dollars go back into the community through service opportunities, scholarships, and continuing education opportunities. The Student Outreach committee could coordinate in-person visits to iSchool's. They might also want to consider finding ambassadors that are physically close to the iSchool rather than just alumni. NASIG Members doing iSchool visits could offer to do a presentation that addresses students' professional concerns, like job hunting, salary negotiation, careers in e-resources management. We could also market to underserved middle managers with programming on leadership and potentially a

preconference on change management or management techniques.

ACTION ITEM: Lisa Martincik will talk with Continuing Education and Kristen Wilson will talk with PPC about programming for middle managers. Maria Hatfield can potentially put us in contact with trainers from the Center for Creative Leadership that could customize a program for our industry.

Some in the NASIG community feel like the organization is behind the curve on scholarly communication and electronic resources programming, including the belief that as long as we go by NASIG will be seen as associated with serials and out of touch. Fighting this perception may require a name change, but, as we are redesigning the NASIG website, we could also think about using a different tagline and/or a word cloud to demonstrate all the areas of librarianship the organization serves. The board will begin these discussions internally and if promising new names and/or taglines are developed we can share with the membership.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will start documents for both name changes and taglines and review the costs associated with the full name change, including information from the previous discussion about name changes (NASIG blog post from August 26, 2011 and survey monkey results).

Secretary's Report (Ashmore)

Action items update - The Board reviewed outstanding action items.

Parking lot issues (All)

The board is not aware of any post-conference NASIG-on-demand purchases and there were only 7 purchases before the conference. The NASIG-on-demand videos took longer to get online than expected. Eugenia Beh will provide us with rudimentary YouTube statistics, but, considering the cost, this may not be a program worth continuing for the 2019 conference. Live

streaming/virtual conference attendance are what users expect but that would be much more expensive and would almost certainly require a sponsor, potentially from a streaming platform vendor like Kanopy. As CPC gets quotes for AV, we will need to be sure to get information about how much it would cost to record and/or stream sessions from one or more rooms at the conference. Kristen Wilson is still working with Angela Dresselhaus and PPC on the invited speakers concept for NASIG-on-demand. This may not happen now that we have a larger vision speaker fees for this conference. PPC will need to make sure that speaker MOUs include the right to record and/or stream.

ACTION ITEM: Beth Ashmore will look to find the costs of live streaming in previous minutes from last year.

Attendance for the final vision speaker tends to drop-off because it is the last session and people are trying to get home. Because these are higher profile speakers

should we have this as the first session of the day or is having this session last driving people to stay for the last half-day? This may be less of a problem this year with the conference ending on a Saturday and in the future if we get the conference entirely during the week. This problem can also be exacerbated if the conference is on one of the coasts or if there are not many direct flights to the conference location requiring some attendees to have to leave earlier in the day to get flights home. Other enticements to stay for the whole conference include post-conferences and user group meetings.

Adjourn (Wilson)

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm Eastern.

Minutes submitted by:

Beth Ashmore

Secretary, NASIG Executive Board

Treasurer's Report

December 2018 Treasurer's Report

Jessica Ireland, Treasurer

Current Balance Sheet

Balance Sheet 8/20/2018	2018	2017
Chase Deposit Accounts	\$48,999.77	\$103,144.03
Checking	\$18,413.28	\$31,255.34
Savings	\$30,586.49	\$71,888.69
JP Morgan Investments	\$273,108.82	\$272,689.00
Alternative Assets	\$140,358.45	\$140,373.02
Fixed Income	\$132,750.37	\$132,221.91
Total Equity	\$322,108.59	\$375,833.03

Committee Expenditures for 2018 to Date

NASIG Committee	2017 Expenditures	2018 Budget Proposal	2018 Expenditures to Date (12/12/2018)
A&R	\$14,855.31	\$24,350.00	\$18,833.24
Administration	\$26,366.82	\$28,000.00	\$15,555.36
Archives	\$0.00	\$350.00	\$0.00
Bylaws	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
CEC	\$1,134.00	\$1,200.00	\$297.00
Communications	\$15,746.99	\$20,000.00	\$14,582.49
CPC	\$4,815.54	\$3,000.00	\$5251.59
D&D	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Evaluation	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Mentoring	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Membership Services	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
N&E	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
NASIG Sponsorships	\$3,930.00	\$4,000.00	\$4530.12
Newsletter	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Outsourcing	\$6,675.30	\$5,000.00	\$5686.20
Proceedings	\$879.95	\$100.00	\$878.52
PPC	\$944.64	\$2,000.00	\$717.01
Site Selection	\$0.00	\$2,000.00	\$1142.80
Standards	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Student Outreach	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Treasurer	\$13,591.70	\$16,000.00	\$7616.83
Digital Preservation TF	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Financial Planning TF	\$0.00	\$200.00	\$0.00
SC Core Comp TF	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Strategic Planning TF	\$0.00	\$100.00	\$0.00
Web-Based Infrastructure Implementation TF	N/A	\$100.00	\$0.00
Total	\$88,940.25	\$107,600.00	\$75,091.16

Committee Reports & Updates

Awards and Recognition Committee

Submitted by Jennifer J. Leffler

Members

Jennifer Leffler, chair (University of Northern Colorado)
Jamie Carlstone, vice-chair (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)
Lea Currie, member (University of Kansas)
Susan Elkins, member (Sam Houston State University)
Rachel Erb, member (Florida Academic Library Services Cooperative)
Moon Kim, member (California State University, Fullerton)
Vanessa Mitchell, member (Library of Congress)
Trina Nolen, member (Lamar University)
Barbara Ballew, member (Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center Libraries)
Tessa Minchew, member (North Carolina State University)
Dejah Rubel, member (Ferris State University)
Joe Hinger, ex officio (St. John's University)
Tom Osina, ex officio (NonProfit Help)
Ted Westervelt, board liaison (Library of Congress)

Continuing Activities

- Improve award descriptions and application materials. Improvements will include updating language to include Scholarly Communication and electronic resources, streamlining of application questionnaires, and implementation of Google forms.
- Work with the Diversity Committee and Harrassowitz on an award for people of color and other protected classes to attend the NASIG annual conference.
- Identify an artist in Pittsburgh to create the gift for outgoing chairs and board members.

Completed Activities

- Adjusted the Merriman Award application deadline

to allow ample time to plan travel to the UK.

- Made initial contact with LPC to discuss the possibility of a “cross-pollination” award

Questions for the Board

LPC is unable to provide any funding for a NASIG member to attend their conference in May 2019 beyond a registration waiver. How would the board like to proceed?

Submitted on September 28, 2018

Bylaws Committee

Submitted by Derrik Hiatt

Members

C. Derrik Hiatt, chair (Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi)
Laurie Kaplan, vice-chair (ProQuest)
Kate Seago, member (University of Kentucky)
Sofia Slutskey, member (Georgia Institute of Technology)
Stephen Sweeney, member (St John Vianney Theological Seminary)
Maria Hatfield, board liaison (WT Cox Information Services)

Continuing Activities

The Committee set a goal to review the Bylaws Committee Manual (on the NASIG website) for any needed updates/changes.

Completed Activities

The Board asked the Bylaws Committee to determine what, if any, changes to the bylaws would be necessary to adjust the term of service for Board Members at Large. The Committee noted that the bylaws do not currently specify a term length for Members At Large, and advised that no changes would be necessary. The

Committee did note that the bylaws could be amended to specify a term length for Members At Large.

Submitted on October 1, 2018

Communications Committee

Submitted by Rachel Miles and Treasa Bane

Members

Rachel Miles (Kansas State University) [Webspinner]

Treasa Bane (University of Wisconsin-Platteville Baraboo/Sauk County) [Listmanager]

Matthew Jabaily (University of Colorado, Colorado Springs) [Webspinner]

Alexis Linoski (Georgia Institute of Technology) [Listmanager]

Heidy Berthoud (Smithsonian Libraries)

Melissa Cantrell (University of Colorado Boulder)

Lisa Gonzalez (PALNI)

David Macaulay (University of Wyoming)

Melissa Randall (Clemson University), [SERIALST Moderator]

Rebecca Tatterson (East Carolina University)

Continuing Activities

- Committee members are rotating regular duties (blog, jobs blog, spam filter and SERIALST monitoring).
- SERIALST Manager approves posts, collects posts for weekly commercial digest, and assists list members with subscription issues.
- Listmanager handles moderation/approval of NASIG-L messages, adding/deleting members, and other list maintenance, including project to match “orphaned” email addresses with names from the membership database.

Completed Activities

- Successfully recruited Matthew Jabaily as vice co-chair, webspinner.

- Successfully recruited Alexis Linoski to serve as vice co-chair, listmanager.
- Liaised with bee.net regarding problems with bounced messages from asu.edu.
 - Evaluated the entire NASIG website for all language regarding compensation and rates. (Strategic Goal #1)
 - Removed the display of the 33rd conference on the main page of nasig.org. (Strategic Goal #1)
 - Set up the listserv, email, and webpage for NASIG’s Diversity Committee. (Strategic Goal #1)
 - Reviewed level of satisfaction from website and listserv/email address provider and initiated any necessary changes in consultation with Board Liaisons.

Statistical Information

NASIG-L

NASIG has 38 listservs

NASIG has 29 active @nasig.org email addresses

As of 10/01/2018, there are 835 subscribed members to NASIG-L and 211 unsubscribed members

SlideShare

- As of 10/2018, 269 presentations/posters are available on the NASIG SlideShare channel.
- As of 10/2018, NASIG on SlideShare has 115 followers.

Blog stats

(August 01, 2018 – October 01, 2018)

- NASIG Blog views – 1,9013 (Best Views Occurred September 12, 2018)
- Jobs Blog views – 4,046

Website

Website sessions (Google Analytics)

September 1-30, 2018	1,400
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Top Ten Landing Pages (Google Analytics) - September 1, 2018 - September 30, 2018

www.nasig.org and /site_home.cfm	179
/site_home.cfm (Home)	48
/sites/site_signin.cfm (Sign-in)	42
/site_page.cfm?pk_association_webpage_menu=308&pk_association_webpage=186 (Vision and Mission)	32
/site_page.cfm?pk_association_webpage_menu=310&pk_association_webpage=9435 (Core Competencies for Schol. Comm. Librarians)	28

Twitter

As of 10/01/2018, @NASIG has 1,062 followers.

Facebook

As of 10/01/2018, NASIG on FB has 414 members.

LinkedIn

As of 1/17/2018, NASIG on LinkedIn has 439 members.

SERIALST

2,326 subscribers (as of 10/01/2018)

Recommendations/Questions to Board

We have been discussing moving job post requests from an emailing process to a NASIG form to be found on the NASIG.org website. While this might reduce the number of job post requests we receive to the blog, there has been varying levels of incomplete information that make this time consuming on our end. We would like your recommendation regarding this idea. Thank you!

Submitted on October 1, 2018

Conference Planning Committee

Submitted by Denise Novak and Pat Roncevich

Members

Denise Novak, co-chair (Carnegie Mellon University)
Pat Roncevich, co-chair (University of Pittsburgh)
Barbara Albee, member (EBSCO)
Stacy Baggett, member (Shenandoah University)
Lisa Barricella, member (East Carolina University)
Donna Bennett, member (Georgia College)
Eleanor Cook, member (East Carolina University)
Beverly Geckle, member (Middle Tennessee State University)
Richard Guajardo, member (University of Houston)
Trina Holloway, member (Georgia State University)
Martha Hood, member (University of Houston at Clear Lake)
Mary Ann Jones, member (Mississippi State University)
Shannon Keller, member (New York Public Library)
Anu Moorthy, member (Life University)
Sarah Perlmutter, member (EBSCO)
Janet Pingitore, member (EBSCO)
Chris Todd, member (University of Pittsburgh)
Joyce Tenney, ex-officio (retired)
Anna Creach, ex-officio (University of Richmond)
Tom Osina, ex-officio (Non-Profit Help)
Steve Shadle, board liaison (University of Washington)

Continuing Activities

- Co-Chairs are investigating reception venues and speaker
- Committee is meeting monthly via conference calls
- Tom Osina (Non-Profit Help) is working on RFP for AV Services
- Committee meeting regularly via conference call.
- Local activity planning has begun to include dine around options for Thursday June 6 and a Fun Run
- Information for web site ready, waiting for Board approval of theme before posting

Completed Activities

- Committee member assignments have been made

- Potential speakers selected - Rick Sebak, documentary filmmaker and historian of 30+ films shown nationwide on PBS stations or Louise Sturgess, Executive Director of Pittsburgh History and Landmarks Foundation

Questions for Board

How can CPC contribute to enhancing the marketing for the conference?

Recommendations to Board

Increase marketing and PR for the conference

Submitted on September 10, 2018

Conference Proceedings

Submitted by Paul Moeller

Members

Paul Moeller, production editor (University of Colorado Boulder)
 Cecilia Genereux, production assistant, (University of Minnesota)
 Cynthia Shirkey, editor (East Carolina University)
 Courtney McAllister, editor (The Citadel)
 Kristen Wilson, board liaison (Index Data)

Continuing Activities

2018 Proceedings:

- Editing of submitted papers
- Working with authors to improve quality of papers
- Compiling front and back matter
- Training of new editor and production assistant

Completed Activities

2018 Proceedings:

- Conference call was held to onboard new editor and production assistant and discuss workflow
- A Trello board was setup for workflow management
- Editors and editing deadlines have been assigned to submitted papers

Budget

No budget requests for this FY

Submitted on October 3, 2018

Continuing Education Committee

Submitted by Lori Terrill and Julia Proctor

Members

Lori Terrill, Co-Chair, Committee Coordinator (University of Wyoming)
 Julia Proctor, Co-Chair, Webinar Coordinator (Pennsylvania State University)
 Stephanie Bandel-Koroll, Member (MTSU Center for Popular Music)
 Rachel Becker, Member (University of Wisconsin)
 Melanie Church, Member (Rockhurst University)
 Adele Fitzgerald, Member (St. Joseph's College New York)
 Julia Hess, Member (Ball State University)
 Jennifer L. Pate, Member (University of North Alabama)
 Xiaoyan Song, Member (North Carolina State University)
 Shoko Tokoro, Member (University of North Carolina at Charlotte)
 Lisa Martincik, Board Liaison (University of Iowa)

Continuing Activities

CEC continues to work on identifying high quality content for future webinars. We have received the 2018 conference evaluations and have selected programs with high ratings and timely content and are contacting presenters about adapting the content to a webinar format. We hope to have our slate of fall 2018 webinars set soon. We are also in touch with NISO about our annual co-sponsored webinar for 2019.

Completed Activities

We set goals for the upcoming year and have formed subcommittees to address regular reviews of the core competencies and the NASIG Wikipedia entry. Having added older webinar recordings to the NASIG YouTube

Channel, we created a subcommittee to investigate correcting the automatically-generated closed-captioning which has mistakes in it.

Submitted on October 1, 2018

Marketing and Social Media Coordinator

Submitted by Eugenia Beh

Members

Eugenia Beh (MIT Libraries)

Continuing Activities

- Promote 2019 Annual Conference through blog, listservs and social media.
- Continue to develop presence on social media by posting, liking and retweeting content.
- Continue to implement marketing plan proposed by NonProfit Help.

Completed Activities

- Posted and promoted the following blog posts on multiple listservs, Twitter and Facebook:
 - [September 2018 issue of the NASIG Newsletter](#)
 - [Application cycle for the John Merriman Joint NASIG/UKSG Award now open](#)
 - [Take the NASIG Digital Preservation Task Force Survey](#)
 - [Join the new Diversity Committee](#)
- Posted and promoted recordings of the 2018 vision sessions and NASIG on Demand videos on YouTube

Questions for the Board

Is there anything else that you would like to see from me at this time?

Recommendations to Board

Have a Marketing and Social Media Coordinator-in-training, as with the Publicist/Publicist-in-training.

Submitted on October 10, 2018

Membership Services Committee

Submitted by Christine Radcliff and Char Simser

Members

Char Simser, co-chair (Kansas State University)

Christine Radcliff, co-chair (Texas A&M University-Kingsville)

Kathryn Wesley (Clemson University)

Heather Barrett (Southern Methodist University)

Nancy Bennett (Carroll University)

Rebecca Culbertson (University of California, San Diego)

Megan Ozeran (Yuba Community College)

Alice Rhoades (Rice University)

Mandi Smith (University of Arkansas)

Bethany Nash (Georgia Gwinnette College)

Continuing Activities

- Revise the MSC Manual as needed.
- Run new member, non-renewing, and deactivate reports monthly. Respond to member login problems and renewal questions. Update member organizational affiliations when requested.
- Send new member reports monthly to Communications Committee and *Newsletter*. Send edited reports (names and emails only) of new members to NISO contacts.
- Send welcome letters to all new members.
- Send non-renewing members a reminder to renew their membership.
- Deactivate members who have not renewed two months past last expiration, and send those reports to Communications for removal from NASIG-L and to the NISO rep.

Completed Activities

- Updated all NASIG committee affiliations for 2018-19.
- Created memberships for Vision Speakers; sent welcome letters to them.
- Created memberships for Award Winners (if they weren't members already); sent letters of congratulations to winners, noting their one-year free membership as part of the award.

- Set up a Join NASIG form for organizational members, the new category/pricing approved by the Board in 2018.
- Organizational membership records clean-up: After conference calls with AMO and the implementation of the new membership category, Simser learned a slightly more efficient method for managing organizational members.
 - Individual and organizational records were updated
 - The MSC Manual is in the process of being updated
 - The organizational renewal notification was updated and now includes a link to a spreadsheet that organizational members must return annually with information about the 3 (or more) individuals who are covered under their membership. MSC will have to use that information to remove outdated information and to add any new individual being covered. Renewals will very much be a manual process, and good communication must be maintained with the treasurer.

Budget

No expenses expected.

Statistical Information

Member numbers as of October 1, 2018

Total – 579

Regular – 408

Organizational - 8*

Lifetime – 8**

Library school students – 147

Complimentary – 9

* Represents individuals whose organizations have joined as “organizational members” based on new organizational membership category implemented late summer 2018.

** We discovered that the All-Timers had been coded as “regular” though they had been given complimentary

lifetime membership status in 2015. We identified 5 individuals: Davis, Teaster, Winchester, Tenney, and Degener. See our question for the Board below.

Questions for the Board

Should the all-timers be listed as “Complimentary” or as “Lifetime” members? Should Lifetime be for paid memberships only? Were others besides the 5 listed above designated as complimentary lifetime members in 2015?

Submitted October 1, 2018

Mentoring Committee

Submitted by Xiaoyan Song

Members

Xiaoyan Song, chair (North Carolina State University)
 Nadine Ellero, member (Auburn University)
 Sandy Folsom, member (Central Michigan University)
 Trina Holloway, member (Georgia State University)
 Marsha Seamans, board liaison (University of Kentucky)

Continuing Activities

The Group chair has been in conversation with the Board liaison about possible merging with the Student Outreach Committee.

Completed Activities

The group revisited the charge and the activity timeline for the Mentoring Group on NASIG website. The Group has set a schedule to “meet” next April to plan for matching mentor with first timers and mentors and mentees meet at the First-timers reception at the beginning of the conference.

Questions for the Board

Will the Mentoring Group still plan the first timers reception and match mentor/with first timers or is the plan to make this a joint effort with the Student Outreach Committee?

Submitted on October 13, 2018

Newsletter

Submitted by Lori Duggan

Members

Lori Duggan, editor-in-chief (Indiana University)

Maria Aghazarian, advertising editor (Swarthmore College)

Kurt Blythe, columns editor (University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill)

Rachel A. Erb, conference editor (Colorado State University)

Stephanie Rosenblatt, copy editor (Cerritos College)

Jessica LaBrie, copy editor (Wellesley College)

Faye O'Reilly, layout editor (Wichita State)

Christian Burris, profiles editor (Wake Forest University)

Gail Julian, submissions editor (Clemson University)

Beth Ashmore, board liaison (Samford University)

Continuing Activities

The full PDF issue of September 2018 has been published.

Preparations for the December issue are underway.

The deadline for the CPC Update, the PPC Update, and the President's Corner is November 1st. The deadline for columns, profiles, and other submissions is November 15th.

Rachel Erb, conference editor, will be resigning with 2019. A call for a new conference editor will take place later in the year.

Completed Activities

Published issues

May 2018

September 2018

Budget

None requested

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Statistical Information

- 118,488 Total full-text downloads from bepress site (May 2010 – August 2018)
- 5,291 Full-Text downloads since last report (January – August 2018)

Top 6 downloaded articles from the May 2018 issue (as of 9/28/18):

Article Title	Downloads
Fun Facts about Atlanta: Welcome to Atlanta!	51
Standards Corner: Challenges of Identity and Authentication Management, Part One	25
Profile of Lauren Smith	24
PPC Update	20
Committee Annual Reports & Updates	20
Report on the ER&L Session: A Collaborative Approach to Creating and Maintaining a User-Centered A-Z List	19

Top 5 downloaded articles from the September 2018 issue (as of 9/28/18):

Article Title	Downloads
2018 Conference Reports	25
Essay for the 2018 Birdie MacLennan Award	9
Checking In	9
2018 Conference Evaluation Report	9
Committee Reports/Updates	8

Submitted on September 28, 2018

Nominations & Elections Committee

Submitted by Stephanie Adams

Members

Stephanie Adams, chair (Tennessee Tech University)

Madeline Kelly, vice-chair (Western Washington

University)

Bethany Greene (Duke University)

Rowena Griem (Yale University)

Smita Joshipura (Arizona State University)

Virginia Martin (Duke University)

Sue Wiegand (Saint Mary's College)

Completed Activities

- Confirmed committee discussion list is updated for the current year
- Identified a committee vice-chair for the 2018/19 year
- Made revisions and updates to the N&E committee manual, particularly in areas related to increasing the number of nominees and diversifying the slate (thanks to detailed notes from 2017/18 Chair, Erika Ripley)
- Drafted and received Board approval on timetable for the 2018/19 nomination cycle, requested that the Communications Committee post to the website
- Confirmed with the Board that the positions to be included in the 2019 election are: Vice President/President-Elect, Treasurer, and 3 Members At Large
- Held initial conference call with N&E Committee, developed the following goals for 2018/19:
 - Continue to examine ways to develop a diverse slate. Coordinate with the Membership Services and Diversity Committees for input.
 - Revise N&E manual so that the headings and dates more closely align with the election timeline as it has been carried out over the past several years. Continue to make other revisions as the need arises.
 - Examine the possibility of revising the Nominee Profile forms so that the submissions received from the nominees can be more easily converted into the format preferred by the Communications Committee for release to the voting membership on the NASIG website.

Upcoming Activities

- Update the Nomination form for the 2018/19 cycle
- Send out Call for Nominations to the NASIG membership
- Accept nominations for NASIG office, likely through early November
- Consult with Communications Committee on their preferred format for posting Nominee Profiles to NASIG website at election time
- Review and revise (if necessary) the Nominee Profile forms

Questions for the Board

- Academic libraries are typically well-represented on the Board and last year's nominees were primarily representative of academic libraries as well. One of the outgoing Board members in 2019 represents the vendor population meaning there is a potential for losing some diversity in membership representation for 2019/20 (depending on the nominee pool and outcome of the 2019 election). While compiling a diverse slate is one of the committee's goals, does the Board have any suggestions on how we might increase nominations outreach to other membership populations (e.g. vendors, publishers, public and special libraries)?
- What is the timeline for establishing the new Diversity Committee and does the Board have any specific directives on how the N&E Committee could partner with this new committee to meet our goals for ensuring that NASIG represents the full membership in its Board?

Submitted on September 27, 2018

Program Planning Committee

Prepared by Maria Collins

Members

Maria Collins, chair (North Carolina State University)

Vice-Chair: Wendy Robertson, vice-chair (University of Iowa)

Nicole Ameduri, (Springer Nature)
 Marsha Aucoin (EBSCO)
 David Burke (Villanova University)
 Chris Burris (Wake Forest University)
 Mandy Hurt (Duke University)
 Gail Julian (Clemson University)
 Steve Kelley (Wake Forest University)
 Samantha Mairson (Syracuse University)
 Kathie Mason (Eastern Michigan University)
 Maria Stanton (American Theological Library Association)
 Tom Osina, ex officio (Non-Profit Help)
 Kristen Wilson, board liaison (Index Data)

Continuing Activities

- Lining up third vision speaker, Heather and Joseph from ImpactStory declined
- Distributing the following tasks to members of the committee:
 - Web liaison – update committee web pages as directed; liaise with Communications committee.
 - Pre-Conference planning – 1-2 people
 - Vendor Lightning Round – Vice-Chair - Wendy Robertson
 - Snapshot sessions - brief, short sessions
 - Student sessions – liaising with SOC
 - Great Ideas Showcase = Poster Sessions
 - Discussion Groups - coordinator
 - Publicity support - support chairs and work with the Publicist
 - Coordinate introductions for concurrent sessions
- Beginning work on conference schedule
- Waiting on payment of Proposal Space to complete call template; hope to send out call before October 19th; should begin review of proposals on November 19th.
- Working on MOU templates for speakers
- Working on first publicity piece for vision speakers
- Setting up first call with CPC for mid-October

Completed Activities

- Lined up two vision speakers – DeEtta Jones and Amanda Levendowski
- Call for Proposals is ready to be entered into the system once approved
- Developed PPC trello board and reviewed with co-chair
- Reviewed committee tasks for distribution to the committee

Actions Required by Board

Approve shortened Call for Proposals

Submitted on October 15, 2018

Standards Committee

Submitted by Jennifer Combs

Members

Jennifer Combs, Chair (Kansas City Public Library)
 Fiona McNabb, Vice-Chair (Computercraft)
 Beverly Geckle, member (Middle Tennessee State University)
 Christina Geuther, member (Kansas State University)
 Emily Ray, member and NISO Representative (University of North Florida)
 Maria Hatfield, Board liaison (WT Cox Information Services)
 Mark Hemhauser, member (University of California, Berkeley)
 Matthew Ragucci, member (Wiley)
 Melissa Belvadi, member and COUNTER liaison (University of Prince Edward Island)
 Pat Kenney, member (Wheaton College)
 Peter McCracken, member (Cornell University)
 Tessa Minchew, member (North Carolina State University)

Continuing Activities

The Standards Committee continues to cast the official NASIG vote on the monthly NISO ballots we receive as a

benefit of our membership in NISO (<http://www.niso.org/standards/ballots>). NASIG is currently a member of the following NISO voting pools.

- ANSI/NISO Z39.78 (Library Binding)
- ANSI/NISO Z39.88 (OpenURL Framework)
- ANSI/NISO Z39.43 (Standard Address Number (SAN) for the Publishing Industry)
- ANSI/NISO Z39.84 (Syntax for the Digital Object Identifier)

The NISO voting workflow is being managed by Emily Ray, who also played an important part of the workflow the previous committee year. Emily has shared ballot documents with the committee and maintained the NISO Master Spreadsheet in the committee's Google drive for ballots through Sept 27. (The next ballot is not due for a few weeks.) However, the Committee has expressed general agreement to allow a workflow that no longer requires every ballot and comment to be maintained on the Spreadsheet, and which allows more discretion on the part of the NISO Representative.

The committee continues to edit and fill in various sections within our Committee Manual.

The committee will continue to submit "pop-up" columns to *NASIG Newsletter*, on an irregular basis, as a way of updating the membership about note-worthy happenings and issues in the greater standards community. *(Language borrowed from report of previous chair.)*

The committee continues to seek avenues to bring standards to a wider audience within NASIG membership and draw out more participation in standards from the membership. Questions and comments are always welcome and can be directed to the committee at standards@nasig.org.

Completed Activities

- From 6/21 – 9/27, we have participated in 19 NISO ballots or calls for comments, and we have marked "Abstain" on 4 others. One ballot directly involving serials caused a lively

discussion for the committee and resulted in a full page of comments that were submitted as a vote to Approve with Comments.

- New members (Matthew Ragucci, Melissa Belvadi, and Peter McCracken) have been welcomed and the monthly meeting date (second Monday of the month) set for this year.
- Melissa Belvadi has volunteered and accepted the role of COUNTER liaison.
- Emily Ray has accepted a continuing role as NISO Representative.
- Committee has submitted a statement of Committee Goals to the Board in response to the first ever Board request.

Budget

No money was spent in this quarter.

Statistical Information

Our pop-up column, "Standards Corner: COUNTER 5 Update," has had 9 abstract views and 6 downloads since its September publication.

Questions for Board

We are still awaiting Board approval and/or comments on changes to our Committee Charge and on our Committee Goals. We have edited some of the language in our Committee Goals to make the language more affirmative, and we can submit that version if needed.

Submitted on October 1, 2018

Student Outreach Committee

Submitted by Danielle Williams

Members

Danielle Williams, chair (University of Evansville)
Chris Bullock, member (California State University Northridge)
Todd Enoch, member (University of North Texas)
Beth Guay, member (University of Maryland, College

Park)
Caitlin Harrington, member (University of Memphis)
Melissa Johnson, member (Georgia Regents University)
Megan Kilb, member (University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill)
Sarah Meidinger, member (North Dakota State University)
Marsha Seamans, board liaison (University of Kentucky)

Continuing Activities

We will begin to reach out to library students in the coming months and will begin to advertise Great Ideas and the student spotlight session for the 2019 conference. Our goal for the coming year is to increase student membership and the number of students participating in the annual conference.

Completed Activities

We have completed pairings of mentors and mentees. Monthly questions have been sent out and will be continued to be sent out to facilitate discussions between mentors and mentees.

Questions for the Board

Questions remain about who sends out proposals to library schools for student spotlight and Great Ideas. There was some confusion about who vetted the proposals and the due dates for the proposals. It was unclear to me who was in charge of the calls and the due dates for the proposal calls. I recommend the PPC send out the calls and that the SOC takes over after proposals that have been approved by PPC.

Will we have a \$50 gift card for Amazon.com for students to respond to the mid-year survey in November?

Submitted on October 1, 2018

Digital Preservation Task Force

Submitted by Shannon Keller

Members

Shannon Keller, chair (New York Public Library)
James Phillpotts, (Oxford University Press)

Wendy Robertson, (University of Iowa)
Heather Staines, (hypothes.is)
Zach Van Stanley, (University of Denver)
Ted Westervelt, Board Liaison (Library of Congress)

Continuing Activities

The committee submitted a presentation proposal to both the 2019 UKSG Conference and the 2018 Charleston Conference. The proposal for Charleston was accepted, and Shannon and Heather will be joined by Bob Boisse from Springer/Nature to share the publisher perspective. Shannon hopes to share some preliminary results of the survey at the Charleston Conference.

Through presentations at conferences the committee hopes to highlight its work, market the guides, and discuss the task force's charge to better inform the committee's work about how NASIG can serve as a leader in efforts to support digital preservation initiatives. These actions are in alignment with both strategic directions #4 and #5.

The committee distributed its Digital Preservation Initiatives Survey on Monday, September 24. The survey will be open until October 26, 2017.

One of the goals of the survey is to help the task force focus on this section of its charge: "identify ways in which NASIG can be involved in proactive digital preservation, including tools for marketing digital preservation to a broad range of library administrations and publishers." These actions are in alignment with both strategic directions #4 and #5. We endeavor that the survey will provide insight into how NASIG can serve its members, building new and strengthening existing relationships with its commercial members, in proactive digital preservation and provide leadership to the scholarly community with regard to digital preservation initiatives.

Completed Activities

Wendy and Shannon presented with Kim Steinle from Duke University Press at the NASIG Conference on Saturday June 9 at 10:45am. Shannon highlighted some of the committee's work, including the guides, and how to utilize the Keepers Registry. Wendy talked about questions to ask publishers and Kim highlighted challenges facing publishers regarding digital preservation initiatives.

Please see the linked Guides:

1. [Digital Preservation 101](#)
2. [Guide to the Keeper's Registry](#)
3. [Questions to ask Publisher about Digital Preservation](#)

The committee distributed its Digital Preservation Initiatives Survey on Monday, September 24. The survey will be open until October 26, 2017.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/nasigdptf>

Submitted on September 28, 2018

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